Establishment of new PF sub-office at Vijayawada

2254. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a long pending demand to establish a new sub-office in Vijayawada under Regional PF office, Guntur;

(b) the reasons for pendency of such genuine demand;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the new sub-offices were opened at Karimnagar district, Andhra Pradesh with very less PF accounts; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is a District Office of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) already in existence at Vijaywada under the jurisdiction of Regional Office, Guntur.

(c) and (d) After considering all the aspects, the Sub-Regional Office at Karimnagar was opened in August, 2005 with the approval of the Executive Committee, Central Board of Trustees (Employees' Provident Fund).

Pending cases with RPF Commissioner, Delhi Zone

2255. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending as on 1st November, 2009 with Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, Delhi Zone for grant of pensions after death/retirement of PF A/C holders;

(b) the number out of them which are pending for more than (i) 3 years (ii) less than three years but more than two years and (iii) less than two years but more than one year; with reasons for delay;

(c) the normal time taken by the office to finalize the case after receipt of an application complete in all respects; and

(d) the action proposed against those responsible for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) As on 1st November, 2009 the number of cases pending with the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, Delhi for grant of pension to Provident Fund A/c holders was 2525.

(b) There is no claim pending for more than one year which is complete in all respects.

(c) The normal time taken by the office to finalize the claim after receipt of an application complete in all respects is 30 days.

(d) Does not arise in view of (b) above.